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## Preface

We are very pleased that the Agency is able to provide you with this updated edition of “An Outline of Law and Procedure in Representation Cases.” I was familiar with this book before my appointment as General Counsel so I know what a great asset it is for those involved in representation case work. Its availability on the Agency’s website ([www.nlrb.gov](http://www.nlrb.gov)) makes it particularly valuable to practitioners inside and outside the Agency.

One of my goals as General Counsel is to improve on the high quality product that has always been the hallmark of Board casehandling. This updated version of the Outline will assist in achieving that goal in representation case work. It was a great contribution to quality case processing when it was first written by former Assistant General Counsel Elihu Platt in the early 1960’s and it continues to be so today.

In 1992, my Deputy, John E. Higgins Jr., updated the text after a 20-year hiatus in publication. Since then, he has revised and updated the text in 1995, 1997, and again in 1999. In this new edition, Mr. Higgins has brought the text through December 2001, has added a number of new topics and has updated the subject matter index. Any suggestions or corrections for future editions should be forwarded to Mr. Higgins at Board headquarters.

I am grateful to Mr. Higgins for continuing this project. I also want to thank Lafe Solomon, Director of the Office of Representation Appeals, for reviewing the manuscript, as well as the dedicated employees in the Agency’s Editorial Section for their tireless work on this project.

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